

Depot No. 1949      September, 1991.

Depot No. 1967      October,      1991.

(b) Based on the pending requests of the consumers, a survey is normally conducted by DMS Field staff and if found justified new booth is opened subject to availability of milk.

[English]

**Loan to SCs/STs by NSFDC and Delhi Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation**

4740. SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Finance Development Corporation and Delhi Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation are providing loans to the SCs/STs for their economic development;

(b) the number of applications lying pending with them, separately, as on date; and

(c) the reasons therefor and the time by which these are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As on date, 131 applications are pending with National Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribe Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC) and 23 with Delhi Scheduled Castes Financial and Development Corporation.

(c) Non-receipt of complete information by NSFDC. These applications will be cleared after the receipt of the requisite details.

The applications were pending with DSFDC for field survey and on spot verification which has since been completed. The applications are now in the process of being cleared.

[Translation]

**Rearing of Goats**

4741. SHRI YASHWANTRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a need to encourage goat rearing in the rural areas;

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to promote rearing of goats;

(c) whether the Government have developed a cross breed of goats on the lines of Jersey cows;

(d) if so, the details thereof and per day milk yield from such goats;

(e) whether the Government have conducted any economic survey for cows and goats rearing; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) and (b). Goat rearing is an eligible activity under the Integrated Rural Development Programme. Under this Programme subsidy is provided to identified poor families for taking up various economic activities including goat rearing.

(c) and (d). The All India Coordinated Research project on goats (for milk) was taken up at National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal and Kerala Agriculture University, Trichur with the objective to evolve a new breed of milch goat suitable to the agro-

climate of these regions. At NDRI, Karnal different genetic combinations of Alpine, Saanan and Beetal with various levels of exotic inheritance were generated and tested for their comparative performance. The Saanan X Beetal crosses with 75 Per cent of exotic inheritance were the best having an average yield of 399.1 ± 34 kg in a lactation period of 296 days and scoring 103.5 per cent improvement over pure bred Beetal. At the Kerala Agriculture University, Trichur different genetic combinations of Alpine, Saanan and Malabari with various levels of exotic genes were generated and tested for their comparative performance. Saanan X Malabari had the highest lactation yield of 127.3 ± 12 kg in a lactation period of 190.5 ± 6.5 days and registered an improvement of 95 per cent over native Malabari in milk production.

(e) & (f). At present at Kerala Agriculture University, Trichur and Rajasthan Agriculture University, Bikaner survey of Malabari and Marwari Goats respectively and their genetic evaluation through field surveys and laboratory studies on growth and gene maker characters is in progress.

[English]

**Financial Assistance to Kerala for  
Development Programmes  
for SCs/STs**

**4742. SHRI KODIKKUNIL SURESH:**  
Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Kerala has demanded financial assistance for the development programmes for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes during 1992-93;

(b) if so, the details of Schemes/Projects submitted by the State Government; and

(c) the amount allocated to Kerala for

1992-93 for this purpose?

**THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

**Dryland Farming**

**4743. KUMARI PUSHPA DEVISINGH:**  
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the strategies proposed to be adopted to promote dryland farming in Eighth Five year Plan period; and

(b) the districts in Madhya Pradesh identified for promoting dryland farming?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN):** (a) The strategy of sustainable development of rainfed areas on principles and practices of watershed development is proposed to be adopted to promote dry land farming in Eighth Five year Plan period.

(b) A statement of districts identified for Madhya Pradesh is enclosed.

**STATEMENT**

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1. Indore
  2. Dhar
  3. Jhabua
  4. Khargaon
  5. Khandva
  6. Devas
  7. Ratlam